

## LOBBYING REPORT

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 5) - All Filers Are Required to Complete This Page

1. Registrant Name ☒ Organization/Lobbying Firm ☐ Self Employed Individual

**NATIONAL CORN GROWERS ASSN**

2. Address ☐ Check if different than previously reported

Address1 **122 C STREET, NW, SUITE 510** Address2

City **WASHINGTON** State **DC** Zip Code **20001** - Country **USA**

3. Principal place of business (if different than line 2)

City State Zip Code - Country

4a. Contact Name

b. Telephone Number

c. E-mail

5. Senate ID#

**JON DOGGETT**

☐ International Number

(202) 628-7001

**doggett@dc.ncga.com**

**27558-12**

7. Client Name ☒ Self ☐ Check if client is a state or local government or instrumentality

6. House ID#

**NATIONAL CORN GROWERS ASSN**

**305980000**

**TYPE OF REPORT** 8. Year **2011** Q1 (1/1 - 3/31) ☐ Q2 (4/1 - 6/30) ☐ Q3 (7/1-9/30) ☒ Q4 (10/1 - 12/31) ☐

9. Check if this filing amends a previously filed version of this report ☐

10. Check if this is a Termination Report ☐ Termination Date 11. No Lobbying Issue Activity ☐

### INCOME OR EXPENSES - YOU MUST complete either Line 12 or Line 13

#### 12. Lobbying

**INCOME** relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:

Less than \$5,000 ☐

\$5,000 or more ☐ \$

Provide a good faith estimate, rounded to the nearest \$10,000, of all lobbying related income from the client (including all payments to the registrant by any other entity for lobbying activities on behalf of the client).

#### 13. Organizations

**EXPENSE** relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:

Less than \$5,000 ☐

\$5,000 or more ☒ \$ **\$180,000.00**

**14. REPORTING** Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options.

☒ **Method A.** Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only

☐ **Method B.** Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code

☐ **Method C.** Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code

Signature

Filed Electronically

Date 10/14/2011

Printed Name and Title Jon Doggett, Vice President Public Policy

**LOBBYING ACTIVITY.** Select as many codes as necessary to reflect the general issue areas in which the registrant engaged in lobbying on behalf of the client during the reporting period. Using a separate page for each code, provide information as requested. Add additional page(s) as needed.

15. General issue area code

AGR

AGRICULTURE

(one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Food, Conservation & Energy Act of 2008: Implementation  
Title I, Commodity Programs; Implementation of the Average Crop Revenue Election Program

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies ☐ Check if None

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, U.S. SENATE, Agriculture - Dept of (USDA), Energy - Dept of, Office of Management & Budget (OMB), U.S. Trade Representative (USTR), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Food & Drug Administration (FDA)

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

First Name	Last Name	Suffix	Covered Official Position (if applicable)	New
Jon	Doggett			<input type="checkbox"/>
Rod	Snyder			<input type="checkbox"/>
Charles	Willett			<input type="checkbox"/>
Sarah	Gallo			<input type="checkbox"/>
Jessica	Bennett			<input type="checkbox"/>
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19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above ☒ Check if None

Printed Name and Title Jon Doggett, Vice President Public Policy

Congressional issues:

Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act of 2010: 1) support end user exemptions from mandatory clearing provisions for Over-the-Counter Derivatives, 2) oppose Section 611 that would subject chartered banks to national lending limits on loans as a percentage of capital, 3) support language to clarify exemption-related provisions on risk retention for customers of Farmer Mac. Biofuels infrastructure; Biofuels Research and Development; Coexistence Issues; Farm Bill Conservation Programs; FY 2011 USDA RE&E Budget, Food and Ag Budget, Support AFRI Funding.

Concerns regarding the CFTCs implementation of the Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act; end user exemptions from mandatory clearing of OTC derivatives, definitions of swap dealer/participant changes to position limits.

Funding of agricultural programs in the FY 2012 budget, including Market Access Program and Foreign Market Development Program.

Support of current baseline spending for the Farm Bill Commodity Title and possible transfer of direct payments to ACRE, crop insurance and other risk management programs.

FY 2012 Agriculture Appropriations Bill- support funding for mandatory programs in the current Farm Bill.

Support completion of new Farm Bill authorization by end of FY 2012.

Support of Independent Review Teams recommendations for changes to federal crop insurance program rating methodology.

USDA regulation of biotechnology.

Aggregate Risk and Revenue Management Program legislation introduced for the 2012 Farm Bill commodity title by Senators Thune and Durbin.

Advocate equitable, proportionate reductions in USDA commodity program funding for the purpose of federal budget deficit reduction Policy modifications to the ACRE program by transferring a portion of current direct payments for NCGAs proposed Agriculture Disaster Assistance Program (ADAP) and a portion for deficit reduction.

Request to the FCC for reconsideration/modification of conditional waiver granted to LightSquared, LLC due the proposed ground based systems documented interference with spectrum for GPS supported agriculture systems.

Support for timely implementation of the independent review team and RMA staffs preliminary recommendations for changes to the federal crop insurance programs rating methodology

Executive Branch:

Biobased Procurement Program.

Coexistence issues; FIFRA/Pesticide Registration.

Federal Crop Insurance: New product development, APH and COMBO rating methodology review, utilization of GPS yield monitor data production evidence.

Implementation of Section 9002, Farm Bill of 2002 Federal Biobased Products Preferred.

Procurement & USDA Certified Biobased Produce Voluntary Label Program; Plant Incorporated Protectants Updates.

Yield trend adjustment endorsement proposal Federal Crop Insurance; Update on research issues from USDA REE.

Proposed Changes by RMA to limit consecutive federal crop insurance prevented planting indemnity claims.

To address concerns regarding proposed rules and advance notices of rulemaking issued by the CFTC regarding implementation of the Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act: end user exemptions from mandatory clearing of OTC derivatives, definition of swap dealer/participant and changes to position limits.

Request to FCC for reconsideration of conditional waiver granted to LightSquared, LLC due to proposed systems interference with spectrum for GPS-supported agricultural systems.

Regulatory changes introduced by RMA to revise corn test weight discounts for federal crop insurance.

Administration of crop insurance prevented planting provisions for production losses related to weather related flood management decisions by Corps of Engineers.

USDA regulation of biotechnology.

Policy modifications to the ACRE program by transferring a portion of current direct payments for NCGAs proposed Agriculture Disaster Assistance Program (ADAP) and a portion for deficit reduction.

Request to the FCC for reconsideration/modification of conditional waiver granted to LightSquared, LLC due the proposed ground based systems documented interference with spectrum for GPS supported agriculture systems.

Support for timely implementation of the independent review team and RMA staffs preliminary recommendations for changes to the federal crop insurance programs rating methodology

Inquiry with the FSA regarding the ACRE programs payments for eligible program crops planted after cover crops (for soil conservation purposes) that are not harvested.

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15. General issue area code

BUD

BUDGET/APPROPRIATIONS

(one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Energy and Water Appropriatons for Mississippi River, Inland Waterways Trust Fund  
MAP and FMD Funding  
Appropriations for the Navigation and Ecosystems Sustainability Program for locks on the Upper Mlssissippi and Illinois Rivers.  
USDA Research Funding.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies ☐ Check if None

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, U.S. SENATE, Agriculture - Dept of (USDA), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Army - Dept of (Corps of Engineers)

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CAW

CLEAN AIR AND WATER (QUALITY)

(one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

See attached:

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies ☐ Check if None

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, U.S. SENATE, Agriculture - Dept of (USDA), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Executive Office of the President (EOP)

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**Congressional issues:**

H.R. 872 - support passage of legislation to eliminate NPDES permit requirements for pesticide applications.

Clean Air Act Fine/Coarse Particulate Matter-Support amendment to block EPA from promulgating new regulations.

Low Carbon Fuel Standards

Ethanol Emissions Standards

Chesapeake Bay Reauthorization and Improvement Act supporting legislation being introduced.

H.R. 2018 - Support a Clean Water Act amendment to preserve the authority of states to set their own water quality standards.

**Executive Branch:**

Climate change

Clean Air Act Fine/Coarse Particulate Matter

Wetlands

Hypoxia

Clean Water Act, NPDES, CAFOs, TMDLs

Farm Bill Conservation Program

Atrazine

Spill prevention control and countermeasures

Chesapeake Bay Executive Order (EO 13508)

Chesapeake Bay TMDL for nitrogen, phosphorus and sediment

NPDES permits for pesticide applications

Pesticide Spray Drift guidance and label language

Oppose mandatory numeric nutrient criteria development

Proposed Clean Water Act Certainty or Assurance program for farmers.

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FUE

FUEL/GAS/OIL

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16. Specific lobbying issues

Renewable Fuels Standard

E-15 Labeling

Biofuels Infrastructure -S.. 187 Biofuel Market Expansion Act of 2011

H.R. 1687

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies ☐ Check if None

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, U.S. SENATE, Agriculture - Dept of (USDA), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Energy - Dept of

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Congressional issues:

S. 1185, Ethanol Reform and Deficit Reduction Act

Renewable fuels standard

Open fuel standard

Ethanol import tariff

Natural gas

E-85

Renewable fuels infrastructure

Ethanol emissions

Volumetric Ethanol Excise Tax Credit (VEETC)

Executive Branch:

All aspects detailing the implementation of the renewable fuels standard

Open fuel standard

All programs dealing with ethanol and greenhouse gas emission reductions

E-85

Natural gas

RFS implementation

Ethanol import tariff

EPA environmental regulations

EPA waiver requests

Higher blends of ethanol waiver with EPA



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ROD

ROADS/HIGHWAY

(one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

All programs dealing with Highway Infrastructure

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies ☐ Check if None

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, U.S. SENATE, Agriculture - Dept of (USDA), Energy - Dept of, Transportation - Dept of (DOT)

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Congressional issues:

Fuels taxes

Infrastructure

Executive Branch:

Oppose Changes to farm vehicle safety standards and new commercial drivers license (CDL) requirements. By the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration.

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RRR

RAILROADS

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16. Specific lobbying issues

Railroad access, capacity, infrastructure  
Congressional issues: railroad access, capacity, infrastructure, competition  
Executive branch: Surface Transportation Board: Railray Common Carrier Obligations for Transport of Hazardous Materials.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies ☐ Check if None

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, U.S. SENATE, Agriculture - Dept of (USDA), Surface Transportation Board (STB), Transportation - Dept of (DOT)

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TAX

TAXATION/INTERNAL REVENUE CODE

(one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

All activies related to volumetric ethanol excise tax credit & small ethanol producer tax credit

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies ☐ Check if None

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TRA

TRANSPORTATION

(one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

activities related to locks and dams on the Upper Mississippi and Illinois Rivers  
Activities related to inland waterway trust funds  
Inland Waterway Capital Developmetn Plan-Support  
H.R. 12-American Jobs Act-Support provisions related to inland waterways infrastructure funding.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies ☐ Check if None

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TRD

TRADE (DOMESTIC/FOREIGN)

(one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

See additional page

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies ☐ Check if None

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Congressional issues:

Distillers dried grains

Biotechnology regulatory issues

Coexistence

Market Access Program

Foreign Market Development Program

Trans-Pacific Partnership

Low Level Presence Policy

Sanitary and Phytosanitary Barriers to trade

International biotechnology approvals

Free trade agreements with Colombia, Panama and South Korea

Executive Branch issues:

Distillers dried grains

Biotechnology regulatory issues

Coexistence

Market Access Program

Foreign Market Development Program

Trans-Pacific Partnership

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Sanitary and Phytosanitary Barriers to trade

International biotechnology approvals

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Information Update Page - Complete ONLY where registration information has changed.

20. Client new address

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

21. Client new principal place of business (if different than line 20)

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

22. New General description of client's business or activities

LOBBYIST UPDATE

23. Name of each previously reported individual who is no longer expected to act as a lobbyist for the client

	First Name	Last Name	Suffix		First Name	Last Name	Suffix
1	Jessica	Bennett		3			
2				4			

ISSUE UPDATE

24. General lobbying issue that no longer pertains

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

25. Add the following affiliated organization(s)

Internet Address:

Name	Address				Principal Place of Business (city and state or country)
	Street Address				
	City	State/Province	Zip	Country	
					City
					State
					Country
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					State
					Country

26. Name of each previously reported organization that is no longer affiliated with the registrant or client

1	2	3
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FOREIGN ENTITIES

27. Add the following foreign entities

Name	Address			Principal place of business (city and state or country)	Amount of contribution for lobbying activities	Ownership percentage in client
	Street Address					
	City	State/Province	Country			
				City		
				State		
				Country		%

28. Name of each previously reported foreign entity that no longer owns, or controls, or is affiliated with the registrant, client or affiliated organization

1	3	5
2	4	6

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